SB 282 -- COUNTY FACILITIES

SPONSOR: Shields (Brown)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Local Government by a vote of 16 to 0.

This bill increases the amount of time a county of the first classification may issue a lease or concession grant for public facilities from five to seven years. The bill also increases the amount of time a county may operate the facility without seeking competitive bids from three to seven years.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that it is difficult for the county to find someone to bid for a five-year period. Persons entering a business want a longer time period if they are going to invest money in a business.

Testifying for the bill was Senator Shields.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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